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King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz al-Saud

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Cook stock rewards could exceed $500m

Sharp rise in share price propels the value of Apple CEO's incentive scheme

Oil drop ‘disastrous’ for anti-Isis fight

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US producers feel oil price pinch sharpest

Saudi Arabia strategy hits shale where it hurts but the industry can be expected to take the pain

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ECB unleashes larger than expected QE

Asset purchases to total €60bn a month until September 2016

Hutchison Whampoa to buy O2 for £10bn

Spanish owner Telefónica set to agree cash deal with Li Ka-shing-owned telecoms group

Silk Road suspect said ‘keep my secret’

Court hears testimony that Ross Ulbricht operated online drug marketplace

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Private jet scandal a rough ride for Swedes

Mighty Industrivärden faces upheaval after revelations

Gross’s $700m lifts Janus flows to $2bn

Mutual fund company enjoys influx for first time in five years

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International peacekeepers will be necessary even if a peace deal is reached, says León

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Invitation threatens US support for Israel

Netanyahu to address Congress on Iranian nuclear debate

Venezuela in bind over default dilemma

Maduro needs access to financial markets and to end shortages

Bharara hunts top New York politicians

Fraud and extortion charges brought against speaker Sheldon Silver

Yemen's president quits amid fresh chaos

Hadi forced to make concessions to Shia Houthi rebels

Nigeria security chief urges poll delay

Dasuki says millions could miss out after distribution of voting cards is held up

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Goldman and JPMorgan chiefs' pay tops $20m

Blankfein package lower at $24m and Dimon flat at $20m

Box secures $1.7bn valuation in IPO

Cloud storage company priced above expectations after ditching IPO plans in 2014

DreamWorks cuts 500 jobs in restructuring

Animated film company will trim production after box office disappointments

Barclays fights back in dark pool case

Lawyers dispute NY attorney-general's attempt to bolster suit over high-frequency trading

RBC pays $5.4bn to reach rich US clients

Valuation of City National bid makes it one of the richest bank deals struck since the crisis

MARKETS

Stocks jump and euro slides on ECB QE

S&P 500 higher as eurozone bond yields drop

Copper falls as LME inventories rise

The metal is down 10 per cent so far this year

Political divisions hit EU carbon price

European Parliament committee fails to agree on start date to fix emissions trading system

Drax bounces on biomass hopes

FTSE rallies 1% after ECB lifts spirits

Airlines fly high on cheaper fuel

Shares rally as Dow Jones Transportation Average rebounds

COMMENT

After Charlie, an opening for Le Pen

The softening of its image scarcely conceals the essential character of the National Front

Draghi's promise to do whatever it takes

Nobody knows whether ECB's QE will work but it is a start at least

Use markets to stop the next Ebola crisis

'Pandemic bonds' could inject private-sector rigour into global medical bureaucracies

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Scientists are seeking the instant when our species began changing the planet, writes Anjana Ahuja

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That Jews face a heightened threat from Islamists is undeniable but society is not against us

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Two online archivists have made businesses from surprising old photographs

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